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ELBA CLIPPER PAID NICE COMPLIMENT ON RECENT ISSUES

Paper Said To Be Historical Document, Interesting Facts Given About Paper Printed Here 71 Years Ago, Which Has Survived Two Floods.

Enterprise, Ala., April 29, 1929.
Editor Elba Clipper:
I wish to commend you for your achievement in publishing at all and as soon after the flood. The Elba Clipper and to hand you a flower from Dr. J. O. Colley, of Troy. Speaking of the copy of April 18th, 1929, Dr. Colley writes me "that copy of the Clipper should be placed in the archives of our State. It really is an historical document."
The thing which is so wonderful to me is that you could and did so soon after the disastrous flood in Elba resurrect and rehabilitate the Clipper plant and publish a paper. I must say that any one who viewed the wreckage in the building after the flood could not see how you have done so well. It takes spirit, courage and determination of any editor and force to undertake such a difficult task.

I want to tell you, too, that this issue, the first after the flood, reflects credit upon our town and people. And this standard is entirely maintained in your last issue of April 25. I bespeak for you great success in the future.

The Clipper of the issue of April 18th, 1929, is filed in my desk with an Elba, Alabama, issue of The States Rights Democrat, which was published in Elba on April 17, 1858, just 71 years and one day older than your first issue after the Elba flood last month. It is interesting to me to handle these two papers together. The old paper published in Elba 71 years ago survived the Elba flood of 1858 and again of March 14, 1929. It was 70 years old when the flood came in 1858, and 71 years this time. Renzo, this is the paper I gave you a story about for publication nearly two years ago, and you published it. Mr. Jack D. Lee handed this old paper to me and told me that he got it out of his father's trunk. I had kept the paper in my desk at Elba and it was found in my steel chest after the flood. It is yet wonderfully preserved and I think it and The Elba Clipper published 71 years later should go together in the department of archives and history.

When this old paper was published in 1858 there had been no civil war. The great issue was then between country, and that accounts for the title of the paper, "The States Rights Democrat." Mr. A. L. Milligan was the editor. This issue is Number 1 of Vol. 4. The slogan of this paper was: "State Rights and State Remedies. The Look of Our Political Situation."

There are many things in the issue which are interesting, now being ancient history in this country. There is a proclamation by the President, James Buchanan. There is an advertisement of "Graham's Illustrated Magazine." There is an article on the proper observance of "The Sabbath." It is good advice today, yet modern, warning the people to keep holy the Sabbath Day. There is a humorous article about "How Sat Lovengood Exploded." There are ads for sale of negroes on commission, negro slaves being a commodity in those days. Geneva was then in Coffee County, and Mr. Alexandria Monroe carried an ad for his blacksmith shop there, with the picture of an anvil and hammer. This paper contains lawyers' cards in Troy, Eufrasia, Newton and Elba.

At the time this paper was published in Elba, there had been no flood since the County was established, of which we have any history. At that time we had not had the Lincoln flood or the Lincoln election. I have heard something of the Lincoln flood. I do not know how it served Elba. I do not know how it served Elba. In 1858 Elba had been the County seat only five years, and P. D. Cassella was the Probate Judge, and A. B. Moore was Governor of Alabama. At that time Eli S. Shorter was Con-

ELBA EXPRESSES THANKS FOR MANY FAVORS BESTOWED

Mayor and City Council Officially Express Their Appreciation to All Who Gave So Generously To Aid Elba in Her Time of Distress.

Elba, Ala., April 14, 1929.
In behalf of the Mayor and City Council of Elba, Alabama, and all the citizens and flood sufferers of Elba and vicinity, and with grateful hearts we do hereby thank and express our heartiest appreciation to the large number of American people who so liberally and kindly contributed their means, time and service to our needs, safety and welfare during the flood and while our all was under water and since the water abated.

In the name of all our people we wish to thank and express our appreciation to his Excellency, Governor Graves, for his untiring efforts, his quick response to our appeal for help, his quick action in our behalf, his appeal to the country for help in our hour of peril and the big-hearted way in which he handled the proposition to the bank.

Stincerely yours,
J. A. CAINLEY.

FLOOD VICTIMS' TAXES CHANGED

Readjustment in Values On Property Planned, To Meet Changed Conditions.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., April 18.—Victims of the recent floods in South Alabama who lost all or much of the property they owned on Oct. 1, 1928, are not going to be required by the State to pay taxes this year on the basis of assessments as of that date, but will be given the benefit of an adjustment that will take into consideration the losses they have suffered.

This was made clear yesterday by Henry S. Long, chairman of the State Tax Commission, following a conference between members of the commission, D. C. Marley, tax assessor of Coffee County, and Monroe Stewart, special agent for the commission in that section. This conference had to do with the adjustments planned and resulted in the tax commission's decision.

It is pointed out that there are many taxpayers in the flood-swept area who owned houses, buildings, machinery, stocks of goods, livestock and other property, on Oct. 1, last, who now have nothing, or next to nothing, as a result of the floods, except the ground they owned prior to the disaster; also, that these or others whose assessments for taxes to be paid this year included property that has been partially destroyed or seriously damaged. These citizens, it is stated, should not be required to pay taxes on the basis of values they had then, but on what the flood has left them.

With this in mind, the tax commission will direct a careful, detailed investigation into these assessments. When this investigation is completed, the commission will go into the flood area, hold hearings and authorize reductions in assessments, wherever justice demands.

The State Tax Commission has full authority to raise or reduce tax assessments wherever and whenever they deem such action necessary.

NOTICE OF SINGING AT ELBA

This is to notify all singers and the public that we expect to have singing at the Christian Church in Elba Sunday afternoon, and we want you to come and help us make this the best singing we have had, so don't disappoint us. Be sure to bring your new Sacred Harp books.

D. C. Marley, Chairman.

Mr. W. D. Freeman, of the White Water Church community, was operated on for appendicitis at the Enterprise hospital the first of this week. His friends trust that he may soon recover.

May God's richest blessings rest upon you, is our sincere prayer.

R. L. COOPER, Mayor.
O. A. ELLIS,
BARTOW BULLARD,
C. P. HAYES,
W. J. WHITE,
O. DOWLING.

MISS FARRIS IS RE-ELECTED
ELEMENTARY SUPERVISOR.

At a meeting of the County Board of Education held last Friday, April 26th, Miss Emma Farris was re-elected as Elementary Supervisor of Coffee County. Miss Farris is one of the leading educational workers in the state and her work in the county for the past several years has been quite satisfactory. Her friends will be glad to know that she will continue the work with the Coffee County schools.

Mrs. E. S. Ford, of Dothan, was the guest of relatives in Elba Sunday.

Red Cross Registration To Close May 6th

Mr. C. H. McFarland, Area Director, announces that Monday, May 6th, 1929, has been set as a final registration date by the Red Cross for flood sufferers in Coffee County.

Anyone who is not registered should report to the Red Cross Headquarters at the Court House, between 9:00 A. M. and 5:00 P. M. daily.

Nearly one thousand families have registered and their cases are being disposed of as fast as possible by the trained Red Cross case workers under the supervision of Miss Sophie P. Foote.

ELBA BANK & TRUST CO.

MAY YET OPEN ITS DOORS

Montgomery, Ala., April 30.—Possibility of the reopening of the Elba Bank & Trust Company, victim of the disastrous South Alabama floods, was in prospect yesterday afternoon, following conference between a committee of Elba citizens, Governor Graves, Judge C. E. Thomas, state superintendent of banks and Joe Morrow who was appointed liquidating agent for the bank.

The committee, which included Thomas, C. E. Thomas and other depositors in the bank and other interested citizens, was told by Judge Thomas at the concluding conference that if \$250,000 in cash can be raised, an agreement obtained from depositors to accept a reduction of 25 per cent in their deposits and make their withdrawals reasonable and a promise be given by stockholders to cooperate thoroughly with the banking department in any way the department may deem advisable and proper to suggest—then the banking department will endeavor to organize and reopen the bank.

Ample time was given members of the committee to act on this proposal, and the liquidating agent for the bank whose assets were so greatly depleted by the flood that it was unable to go about was instructed not to proceed further until the question of reopening is definitely settled. Every assurance was given the committee by Judge Thomas of his desire and purpose to be as liberal in his consideration of all plans for reopening as the rules of sound banking will permit.

TIME EXTENDED TO OBTAIN
AID IN FARM SEED FUND

Washington, D. C., April 29.—At the solicitation of Senator Black and Representative Steagall and Hill of the Alabama congressional delegation, the Department of Agriculture has extended until May 15 the time within which farmers who suffered in the March flood may apply for loans for seed and fertilizer. Originally, the time would have expired April 15, but it was first extended to April 30 and now the further extension has been granted. The total amount of this fund is \$2,000,000. Resolutions were introduced today to remove any doubt of the authority of the secretary of agriculture to make loans from this fund to loan and store farmers who incurred their losses after the bill authorizing the fund was passed last February, as the original intent of this fund was to care for sufferers from the tropical hurricane of last September.

Mr. and Mrs. Edw. Willis and sons, John and Mack, of Cairo, Ga., were guests of friends in Elba Sunday and Monday.

Mrs. J. C. McLeod, of Opp, is the guest of her sisters, Mrs. W. O. Vaughn and S. H. Brock this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Rowe have moved from an apartment in the home of Mrs. W. P. Boyd to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Rowe are residing in New Brighton.

Miss Debora Blocker visited Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Blocker in Analasia last week.

Miss Gyp Blue has accepted a position with Pittman & Hutchison in Enterprise. She has many friends in Elba who regret that she has gone to another town.

The Alabama Experiment Station at Auburn has established experimental fields at Alexandria, Hackleburg, Prattville, Aliceville, and Cahaba as part of the agricultural research system of the state. Five other experimental fields are to be established this year.

Dr. W. C. Braxwell and Messrs W. J. White and Fred Polson made a business trip to Montgomery Monday.

THE RED CROSS HAS AWARDED \$25,000 IN COFFEE COUNTY

Area Director McFarland Says All Assistance To Be Given To Flood Sufferers On Basis of Need. Registration Closes May 6th.

Nearly one thousand families in Coffee County have registered for assistance since the flood of March 14th, May 6th has been set as the closing date for registration for assistance from the Red Cross.

To date over 250 cases have been closed and over \$25,000.00 have been awarded for rehabilitation according to the statement of Mr. C. H. McFarland, Area Director of Coffee County. Mr. McFarland said that the usual reconstruction program involving the necessary assistance to families in repairing and building homes and re-establishing themselves, and an agricultural program which will include the provision of food, for livestock, seed, livestock and poultry, farm implements and assistance in repairing or rebuilding damaged structures.

All assistance given by the Red Cross, both to farmers and other flood sufferers, will be on the basis of need. If a man can re-establish himself through his own resources and such credit as he is able to obtain and handle without undue hardship, he will be expected to do so without assistance from the relief fund. However, if he can not regain his former standard of living without assistance from the Red Cross he will receive necessary aid from the relief fund.

Based on the estimates of our relief workers we believe that between \$500,000 and \$600,000 will be needed to complete the disaster work in the Southeastern States.

"At the present time 83 national disaster workers are engaged in the flood relief work. The assignment of these workers by States is as follows: Alabama, Florida and Georgia, 68; Kentucky; Tennessee, 17. Additional workers, including several public health nurses, will be assigned to the flood area within the next several days."

"The American Red Cross is now engaged in 21 disaster relief operations in 19 States."

COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD TO MEET TUESDAY, MAY 14.

The school laws require that on the second Tuesday in May of each year the County Board of Education shall hold a meeting for the purpose of giving the public an opportunity of presenting to the Board matters relating to the administration of the public schools of the county. This is general notice to the public that this meeting will be held on May 14th.

ROSE WATSON,
County Superintendent.

Mrs. Bentley, of Hayneville, was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. W. F. Rainer Saturday and Sunday.

Glady Miller, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Miller was carried to the hospital in Enterprise Monday for an operation for appendicitis. She is reported as doing nicely.

Miss Frazier, of Hayneville, was the guest of friends in Elba for the week end.

Mr. Ross Rainer, of Troy, visited Elba relatives Sunday.

Miss Evelyn Bryan is in Dothan this week visiting Miss Gladys Jackson Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Whitman, Miss Doris Whitman and Miss Louise Tucker visited in Dothan Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Stephens and family have moved to the Marsh home and are occupying the downstairs apartment.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Fountain have moved to an apartment in the Cleveland home on Davis Street.

John Kendrick was the week end guest of Graham Fountain in Florida.

Miss Bob Stephens, of Opp, was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Stephens, during the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Patecock have moved from Montgomery to Elba and will live with Mrs. Patecock's father, Mr. J. W. Cady in his new home now being built on Buford Street.

Mr. Olin Brooks spent a few days in Winter Haven, Fla., the first of the week.

Miss Caroline Carmichael, who has been the guest of her grandmother, Mrs. W. P. Boyd, for several weeks has returned to her home in Montgomery.

Letters From Senator Black and Congress- man Steagall

Last week we published the full text of an appeal made by Judge J. A. Canley to the Alabama representatives in Congress for relief measures for the flood stricken sections of Alabama. At that time the Judge had not received the letters below from Congressman Steagall and Senator Black.

Washington, D. C., April 23, 1929.
Judge J. A. Canley,
Enterprise, Alabama.

I have received copy of the letter written by you to Hon. Henry B. Steagall, and the letter to the Representatives and Senators in Congress. I have talked with Mr. Steagall yesterday about the matter, but it was not possible for us to discuss it completely. We have already offered several bills in connection with the flood, but we have no assurance as yet that legislation concerning this matter will be given consideration. When the legislation went to see the President with Governor Graves I requested that the President mention the flood situation in his message to Congress but he declined to do so.

I think I realize the conditions arising from this terrible flood. You can rest assured that anything in the world that we can possibly do to help the entire delegation is anxious to accomplish. I will confer with Mr. Steagall again as soon as possible concerning the entire matter.

With my very best regards and good wishes, I am,
Sincerely yours friend,
HUGO L. BLACK.

Washington, D. C., April 22, 1929.
Honorable J. A. Canley,
Enterprise, Alabama.

I received your valued letter and have been in consultation with our Senators and other members of the delegation from Alabama regarding efforts to secure relief for our people by congressional action.

I have introduced a Bill to provide for additional funds to be loaned farmers who suffered losses in the flood and liberalizing the law passed during the last session of Congress in several particulars. There is some chance to secure this legislation for the reason that I have offered it in the form of an amendment to the Bill passed by the last Congress which was reported by the Committee on Agriculture of the House. The Bill to amend the law has been referred to the committee the same Committee but the Committee is devoting its time to consideration of the general farm relief bill now before the House and it will be several days before they will be ready to take up my measure. I am going to press for action and hope to get consideration by the Committee in the next few days. The Department of Agriculture advises me that there is still something like two million dollars unused and on hand out of the fund provided in the last session of Congress. But I take it for granted this fund will hardly take care of applications that are probably in the process of preparation.

I am anxious, as I am sure all the members of the delegation are to do everything that possibly can be done for the relief of our people who suffered so horribly from the recent flood. But, unless the House of Representatives can be persuaded to do part from the President's program and organize other Committees there is no way to handle any legislation except such as could be referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Ways and Means. If the House insists upon restricting its labors to consideration of the measures outlined by the President and refuses to organize any Committee except those to consider that kind of legislation we find ourselves up against a difficulty which I know no way to overcome. I explained to Governor Graves when we first met in Montgomery to discuss this situation that it was going to be one of the question to pass legislation in the House other than such as could be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and Agriculture, unless the program that had been determined upon by the administration could be varied.

We went to see the President and conferred with him at length but he has not seen fit to change his program. Unless he does it looks like we are in a bad way to secure any appreciable aid other than that above mentioned.

My heart goes out to the good people who have suffered so and who are making such heroic efforts to recover. I wish I were permitted to make you a more encouraging report as to our progress.

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ANOTHER GRAPHIC ACCOUNT OF THE RECENT ELBA FLOOD

H. C. Bryan, The Clipper's "Willie," Rushes Into Print To Let The Outside World Know That The Elba Flood Was "The Worst Ever."

So much has been said and written about the great flood that visited Elba on March 14, and it made such a deep impression upon me that I cannot resist the temptation to relate a few of my experiences, which were as follows:

On Thursday morning of that date we were informed that the water was going to come out and that we had better get everything off of the floor. We paid no attention to the information, but about 9:30 when the water started to coming up in the street out in front of the shop and rose 6 inches in 10 minutes, we got busy and moved everything possible up on tables and shelves all over the shop. But to no avail.

The water started to washing things about out in the street. I had parked at Mr. E. W. Olin's Ford out in a shelter next to the shop. I went to get it out. I took it out on the square. I came back and we started to taking the motor and things off of its message to Congress but he declined to do so.

I then got out and from there went to Mr. Olin's boarding house. I told his wife to have him leave his car ready in about an hour, that I would be back by three and get it about that time.

I then went on home. Down close to Bear Dam Creek. Some men were carrying the people out in boats. I went on home and stayed with my sister until the boat could get back. There were two National Guardsmen up there with her. I was not there but a very little over 30 minutes. The water rose over two feet while I was there. In some of the places where I walked coming to home I had to catch to trees and fences. (I feel anything I could) and swim and pull out. There was not much swimming in the last session of Congress in several particulars.

The boat got back at last, and my sister and some more ladies got in. I was helping pull it out. It was exhausted, however, that I had to stop and rest, (much to my disgust.) I saw a lady with rheumatism trying to walk up to Mrs. Gardner Clark's home. I went from there back to Mrs. Olin's home, but could not get any farther. I tried to call Mr. Olin and tell him and Mr. McDowell to get out, but could not get out over the phone. Nobody had any idea that the water could get out any farther than it had ever gotten before. I went from there over to Mrs. Jack Lee's home, where one of my friends were. The water kept on rising, so I went out in the yard where a man had parked his car out of the water. I moved it up a pretty good piece. When the water went down the Ford was turned up on its side with half of some kind of a barn leaning up beside it.

I went from there over to Mr. Wesley Ham's home where some 25 or 30 people were already, and stayed until the water started to coming up in his front yard. I then went over to Mrs. Carrie Bullard's home. By night the water was coming up under that house. Brother Paul and Brother Franklin were up there. We had prayer services that night. We had no water, no food, and no way of getting any.

Just before night, Mac Ham, Kay Stephenson, and one other boy, all from Opp, came down to see about their relatives. They were told that the people down on the square were in danger. They promised to get all the boats available and bring them and food the next morning. Opp was the last to the rescue. They were cheerful, brave and gave freely.

Thursday night was without doubt the most dreadful and haunting night that Elba people ever witnessed. It was simply wonderful the way the women and children kept their heads. They did what the people asked them to do. That was what counted most. About midnight we heard a mighty crash and a woman scream. It was just across the street. Mr. Arthur Boatwell's home had washed over in a hole and had tumbled up sideways. There were two women and three men there. The women were very brave. They did not utter a cry after the house fell in that dreadful position. They cut and tore holes in the roof and climbed out. They did not have anything to eat or drink for about 17 or 18 hours. They tore down the

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MAY

POOR ORIGINAL

75 CARS OF POLICITY

SOLD FOR \$250,000

AUBURN, Ala., May 1.—From January 17 to April 25 of this year farmers in 41 counties marketed co-operatively 75 carsload of poultry for which they received \$250,000 at the car door. An average of 100 farmers participated in the sale of each car, or a total of 30,000 farmers. The cars were shipped direct to the big markets, most of them going to New York.

Report of these sales have been made by J. H. Sylvester and J. D. Moore, extension marketing specialists, to Prof. L. N. Duncan, director of extension service of the Alabama Polytechnic Institute. The county demonstration agents, the home demonstration agents, the county farm bureau and the State farm bureau at Montgomery co-operated in making them a success. The clerical work was done at the State farm bureau office in Montgomery, this being a part of the system of miscellaneous work by 1933.

We Represent Five of the Largest Fire Insurance Companies that are Doing Business

Not a one of our Companies has withdrawn from Elba since the flood; some of the other companies are withdrawing.

Place Your Insurance With Us

It will be safe. You will have it when you need it.

F. H. MURPHREE

INSURANCE AGENCY

May Building

Lindsey Furniture Co.

Good and Bad Furniture A PERMANENT BUSINESS IN ELBA

We are heartily interested in the future of Elba. We are here to make money, of course, but at the same time SAVE MONEY FOR YOU by offering merchandise at a price consistent with quality that can't be beat.

Come in and talk over the House Furnishing proposition with Jordan

We have received several new shipments this week, including Cheap Refrigerators, Cheap Dressers and Wood Stoves, Chiffoneres and Chests, Congoleum Squares, all colors and sizes, Blankets, Comforts, Sheets, Bed Spreads, Pillow Cases, Rag Rugs, Velvet Rugs, Dining Chairs, Dining Tables, Living Room Suites, Bed Room Suites.

You can write "Value Received" on your Red Cross requisitions when we fill them

Terms Can Be Arranged

THE ELBA CLIPPER

TEN FARMERS WILL GET MASTER AWARDS

AUBURN, Ala., May 1.—Ten Alabama farmers are to be honored for their "master farmers" this year. It will be done by the Progressive Farmer, which has been making a list of the best farmers in the state since 1920. The money received went immediately into the local channels of trade. The business was handled at a minimum of cost, which made it possible to return to the producers maximum prices for their poultry.

This method of selling poultry in Alabama was started two years ago. It spread to a few other counties that year and in 1925 this growth was extensive. In 1929 additional growth was made, as revealed by the fact that the service was extended to 41 of the 67 counties of the state.

The American Automobile Association is asking Congress to increase federal aid for roads from \$75,000,000 to a maximum of \$125,000,000 by 1933.

Mark Nell Donahue is visiting her aunt, Mrs. J. G. Blair of Enterprise.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Anderson, Mrs. J. M. Kinney, and Miss Alice Owen will be given in their honor; and at this banquet meals and certificates will be presented to each of them.

Alabama Polytechnic Institute, Dr. Bradford Knapp will confer the master farmer awards. A gold medal will be presented to each of the winners.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. Kendrick, Miss Madeline Strain and Louise Mitchell went to Enterprise shopping Saturday.

MR. LUBERT ATTACHED THE OPENING OF ICE PLANT

Mr. D. J. Lubert carries an ax in today's paper announcing the reopening of the Elba Ice plant. This plant was so badly damaged during the recent high waters, that it has been under repair for the last two or three days.

It had been announced that agreement was reached for the sale of the local ice plant before the flood. This sale was not consummated, and Mr. Lubert is reopening the plant. Elba people will be glad to know that the plant is now running.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY WILL MEET AT PARSONAGE

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church will meet at the parsonage next Monday at 3:30 P. M. The Bible lesson for discussion is the first book of Corinthians. Some questions for conversation follow:

What is the preaching of the cross to them that perish? 1 Cor. 1:18. What did Paul preach at Corinth? 1 Cor. 2:1-2.

Why were the Corinthians fed on milk? 1 Cor. 3:2.

What should be done with the old leaven? 1 Cor. 5:7.

How are we to be baptized? 1 Cor. 10:2.

When should we abstain from meats? 1 Cor. 8:13.

What was that rock from which Israel drank in the wilderness? 1 Cor. 10:4.

From whom did Paul receive the command to observe the Lord's supper? 1 Cor. 11:23.

What is the greatest of all Christian principles? 1 Cor. 13th Chap. What is the doctrine of the resurrection elaborated? 1 Cor. 15 Chap.

What is the apostolic plan of giving? 1 Cor. 16:2.

All members are urged and friends invited to be present. The speaker, M. H. Parsons, pastor, 3:30 P. M., next Monday.

"FINGERPRINTS" BULLETS

Captain William J. Jones has perfected a machine that makes bullet identification in murder cases almost as infallible as the fingerprint system has made the identification of criminals. The machine really records the "fingerprint" of the bullet on the wall of the barrel of the gun. The scientific identification of bullets has been used in several murder cases in New York City. (Herbert Photos N.Y.)

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Murre left Wednesday for Orlando, Fla.

LETTERS FROM SENATOR BLACK AND CONGRESSMAN STEAGALL

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efforts here but I can only give you the situation as it is.

You may be sure every member from the delegation of Alabama is co-operating with me and is anxious to do every possible way.

Your letter has been forwarded to the committee on the subject of the flood, and I shall use in my efforts.

Sincerely,
Your friend,
H. B. STEAGALL.

BRADSHAW ITEMS.

Miss Claudine Donaldson visited friends and relatives in Enterprise last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Blair and little son and Miss Claudine Donaldson visited in Enterprise last week.

Mrs. C. D. Donaldson was in the city last week.

Mrs. J. T. Blodgett is now visiting her daughter, Mrs. C. D. Donaldson.

Mrs. Leahman Donaldson and Miss Claudine Donaldson are visiting friends and relatives in Enterprise last week.

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chimney, fixed a furnace and built a fire.

There were 104 people in Mrs. Ballard's home Thursday night. Friday night there were between 150 and 200 people. If you wanted to get up there at all there was no place to go and get a place, fixed on the floor, and lay down at about five, and not later than six o'clock. It was a most terrible thing.

Between 9:30 and 10:30 o'clock Friday morning the first airplane flew over the little city. It was welcomed. By 11 o'clock there were no less than 10 flying around over town, dropping food, milk and boat motors. Some of them were dropping the food edition of the Montgomery Advertiser. We appreciated them very much.

Friday morning at five o'clock the water stopped rising and started to falling. Slowly at first but later more rapidly. By noon of the day three small washbasins we could get to a pump across the street. This pump, at the home of Mr. "Doc" Parson, was the only one that was left.

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